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1814 1914

Commemorating the

One Hundredth Birthday

of

Daniel Hanmer Wells

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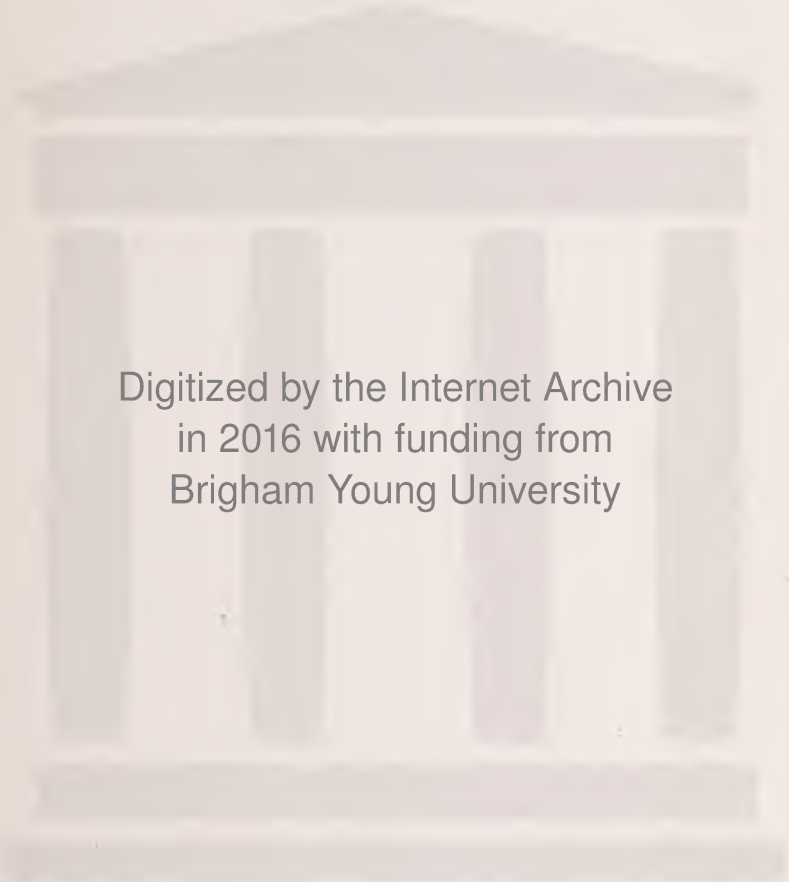

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OCTOBER 27TH, 1914

SALT LAKE CITY

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PROGRAM OF EXERCISES

Hymn, "Earth With Her Ten Thousand Flowers".....
.....The Granddaughters
Invocation .....Rulon S. Wells
Hymn, "Oh, Ye Mountains High".....The Granddaughters
Greeting .....Junius F. Wells
Social Interval.....The Reception Committee
Words from the Absent.....
Piano Solo, "Lieberstraume" (*Liszt*).....Helena F. Wells

HISTORICAL PAGEANT

Verses by Annie Wells Cannon

Incidental Music—Old Melodies by the Accompanists

Henry Wells Culmer, Stage Manager

Tableau, "The Norman Soldier".....
Cavendish Cannon

Tableau, "The Baker Baron," A. D. 1066.....
Ben Wells Cavendish Cannon

Tableau, "The Norman and His Saxon Bride".....
Cavendish Cannon Alice Wells Smith

Tableau, "Simon de Welles, the Crusader," A. D. 1191 .....
Cavendish Cannon

Stereopticon, "Signing Magna Charta," A. D. 1215.....

Tableau, "The Pilgrim," A. D. 1635 .....
Murray Whitney Libbie Wells Dorothy Smith Horace H. Wells

"The Revolutionary Period," A. D. 1778-1883 .....

David Chapin .....Charles H. Wells
Ruth Seymour Chapin .....Ruby Morse
Catherine Chapin.....Margaret Wells
Polly Chapin .....Evelyn Wells
Sally Chapin .....Becky Morse
The Drummer Boy .....Channing Morse

"Soldiers" .....
Melvin D. Wells David H. Cannon Abram Cannon

Tableau, "October"

Dessie G. Boyle Grace G. Evans Louise C. Andrew
Margaret C. Clayton Emmeline C. Martineau Florence Wells
Helen Wells Edith Wells Louisa Wells Emily Grant
Katharine Cannon Martha Wells Abbie H. Wells Marjorie Wells
Emma Hedges Sarah Hedges Ruby Cannon Frances Grant
Margaret Whitney Virginia Whitney Geneva Wells
Alice Wells Smith Florence C. Varnes Gene Lovell
Catherine C. Roberts Lillian Wells Libbie Wells
Dorothy Wells Miriam Wells Ruby Morse

"The Only Son," 1820

Daniel Wells ..... Sandford W. Hedges
Catherine Chapin Wells ..... Catherine C. Roberts
Eliza Wells ..... Miriam Wells
Pamela Wells ..... Dorothy Wells
Abbie Wells ..... Frances Grant
Lucy Ann Wells ..... Marga Morse
Frances Wells ..... Clara W. Hedges
Daniel Hanmer Wells ..... Henry C. Wells
Catherine Wells ..... Martha Boyle
Aunt Polly Watkins ..... Lillian Wells

"The Squire," A. D. 1835 Joseph Smith before Squire Wells on Writ of Habeas Corpus

Hermon J. Wells Kenneth W. Culmer Melvin D. Wells
Louis R. Wells Joseph S. Wells Gershom B. Wells
Isaac B. Evans Ashby Boyle

"The Pioneer," A. D. 1848

Wendell Whitney Abbie Wells Virginia Wells
Louisa Wells Katharine Cannon Cavendish Cannon
Kennett Culmer Helen Wells

Incidental Song, "The Teamster's Chorus"

Bicknell Young Wells John Katz Wells Daniel Hansen Wells
John Q. Cannon, Jr. William Riter Wells Theodore Lincoln Cannon
Horace H. Wells Burton Katz Wells Edward Junius Wells
Calvin Young Wells Bolivar Roberts Charles Read Hager
Albert Ralph Hager Whitney Smith

"The Echo Canyon War," A. D. 1857

Wells Culmer Kennett Culmer Cavendish Cannon Melvin D. Wells
David H. Cannon Abram H. Cannon Wendell Whitney

"Making Peace With The Indians"

Sandford W. Hedges Murray Whitney Benjamin Sheets Wells
Hermon Wells Paul Whitney Florence Wells Gene Lovell
Geneva Wells Becky Morse George Q. Cannon
Billy Hedges Paul Hedges George Y. Wells Josephine Wells
David Chapin Wells Alan Freeze Wells Richard Denton Wells
Charles Read Hager Albert Ralph Hager Lowell Wells Richard Andrew

A Pioneer Dance.....

Rulon S. Wells and Louisa E. Wells
Heber M. Wells and Martha Wells
Joseph S. Wells and Marjorie Wells
Louis R. Wells and Edith Wells

"The Old Chair".....

Virginia Wells Janice Wells Culmer Roberts Rulon S. Wells
Anne Wells Edmond Wells Mary Evans Ruth Evans
Edna Boyle Lowell Wells Woodward Cannon Shirley Cannon
Elizabeth Andrew David W. Clayton Whitney Smith

HOMES AND FIGURES OF THE PAST

STEREOPTICON

Lincoln Cathedral. Last resting place of Bishop Hugo de Welles, Lord Chancellor of England, A. D. 1234.

Ancient Wethersfield, Conn., A. D. 1635-1800.

The Old Elm.

State Warden's House on site of Governor Thomas Wells' Homestead.

Grave of Capt. Robert Wells, A. D. 1726.

Old Trenton, New York, A. D. 1800-34.

The Wells' Farm.

Site of Daniel H. Wells' Birthplace.

Home of his sister Abbie Wells Rockwell.

Grave of his father, Daniel Wells, Holland Patent.

Portrait of his grandfather, David Chapin, the Soldier of the Revolution, A. D. 1778-83.

Nauvoo, 1834-1846.

Daniel H. Wells' Farm House.

Our Mountain Homes, A. D. 1848-1914.

Head of Big Cottonwood, D. H. Wells' Lumber Mills E. and F. located near here, 1859-1887.

Black Rock, Sheep Ranch, 1862-1866.

I. South Temple St., site of Deseret Gymnasium Tennis Court, east of Hotel Utah, 1850-1861. In these two houses all the children were born prior to 1862, except Aunt Em's.

II. The big corner house, 1862-1886, Main and South Temple St., site of Zion's Savings Bank.

III. Aunt Em's, 1859-1886, State St. bet. 2nd and 3rd South, north of Auerbach's store. Birthplace of Annie and Louie. Emmie died here. She was born in the Bishop Hunter house on the corner, half a block north.

IV. No. 42 Islington, Liverpool, England. D. H. Wells' headquarters, 1864-65, 1884-87.

No. 9 Dunkeld St., Liverpool, where Gershom was born. The other foreigners, granddaughters, Nanna and Dessie were born at 42 Islington.

V. The Twelfth Ward House, 1874-1888.

VI. 180 G. St., Aunt Martha's.

VII. 232 Second Avenue, Aunt Lydia Ann's.

VIII. 140 A St., Aunt Hannah's.

The Wells Boys.

The Wells Girls.

Our Mothers.

The Father of Us All.

Words from Our Mothers..... ....

Words from Our Guests ....

Hymn, "Our Mountain Home So Dear".. .....The Company

Benediction .... Joseph S. Wells

REFRESHMENTS INFORMAL DANCING

THE WELLS ANNUAL

MORE GIRLS

To Frank T. Roberts and Catherine, a daughter, born February 18, 1914. Named Catherine.

To Joseph S. Wells and Mamie, a daughter, born June 15, 1914. Named Harriet.

To Lyman R. Martineau and Emmeline, a daughter, born October 21, 1914.

WEDDING BELLS

Alice Frances Wells was married to Elias Asahel Smith, Jr., on Wednesday, July 29, 1914, in the Temple. A fine reception was held at her father's home and the young people went to Yellowstone Park on their wedding trip. Another Wellsing link with the lineage of the Prophet.

IN MEMORIUM

H. L. A. Culmer died on February 10, 1914, after a few days illness. A great tribute of admiration and respect was paid him at the funeral in words of rare eloquence from Rev. P. A. Simpkin and Apostle O. F. Whitney.

We sympathize with sister Annette and her family and shall miss Harry at the birthdays, where he was always willing and efficient in arranging the tableau. Fortunately for us his mantle as stage manager has fallen upon the capable shoulders of his son Wells.

William S. Hedges died on February 28, 1914, released from a long period of patient suffering. He came among us a stranger, but he united heart and soul with the Wells family and won their love and good will for his constant courtesy and never failing interest and assistance at the birthdays. May the Lord bless and comfort Sister Cal and the boys and little Clara in their bereavement.

D. Hanmer Wells is living at a sanitarium where he has been a helpless invalid for several years.

Heber Daniel Wells is still living at Pleasant Grove.

Capt. Briant H. Wells and family are stationed at Governor's Island, New York.

David H. Varnes and Florence with their little son John are making their home at Los Angeles, Cal.

Sister Abbie and Nanna are spending the winter at Washington, D. C. Hugo is at Chicago, Ill.

Emily Read Hager and her boys returned from China in the spring of 1914 and are living here with her father. Mr. Hager is expected in December.

Hermon returned home February 22, 1914, after filling a fine two years mission in England.

Lawrence W. Sloan started on his mission to Germany on June 27, 1914, two weeks after he was eighteen. He was assigned to Frankfort and had commenced to labor there, when, because of the great European war, he was called to return to the United States and assigned to the Eastern States Mission.

Richard Wells left on October 5, 1914—a few days before his eighteenth birthday—to perform a mission on the Sandwich Islands.

Major W. W. Woods, son of father's youngest and only own sister and family live at Wallace, Idaho. He is judge of the District Court. He is the only first cousin (Wells) of the family now living, so far as we can learn. The two married daughters of his sister Eliza are also living. Catherine, widow of Howard Thornton, at Grand Rapids, Michigan, and Dorothy (Mrs. Paul King) at Los Angeles, Cal. There is also a son, Park, and daughter, Catherine, of J. Daniel Woods living.

There are two married granddaughters of father's oldest sister, Eliza Ross, Josephine and Lida, living in Philadelphia with their widowed mother. They each have two daughters.

The above are the only direct descendants of Grandfather Daniel Wells, outside of our family, that we know to be living.

The next nearest of our kindred are the descendants of David Chapin. Of these Aunt Polly Watkins' family, the Woodhulls, Coburns, Tracys, Beardsleys, Wellers and McGuires live in New York State about Lakes Seneca and Cayuga and at Brooklyn. We are in receipt of birthday congratulations from Jesse C. Woodhull and family who live there.

Aunt Sally Hall's descendants are at Washington D. C.

Uncle Hezekiah Chapin's are Emma Rice Neidig, Supreme President of the Fraternal Brotherhood, and her sisters at Los Angeles, California, and Ruth Freer Aydlett in Denver, Colorado.

Uncle Seymour Chapin's, the Hacketts, are somewhere in Montana and Idaho.

It thus appears that our living kindred have many more of us to boast of than we have of them.

Rev. Albert Emory Wells, father's eldest son, an Episcopal minister, lives at Holland and Grand Rapids, Michigan. We have received word that he has accepted the invitation to attend our reunion. As none of the family now living, except Junius, has ever seen him, to have him with us is the crowning event of our Centennial celebration and gives every member present particular gratification and delight.

The family reunions have hitherto been held at our private residences and but few guests entertained. Upon this occasion, however, we have extended invitations to the First Presidency of the Church, to President Lyman, the Presidency of Ensign Stake, Bishops of the Eighteenth and Twentieth Wards and a few others; and we are happy to have them with us and hope they will enjoy the Wells' way of doing these things.

DANIEL H. WELLS' RECORD

HIS FAMILY.

There were thirty-seven children, twenty-one sons and sixteen daughters; of whom twenty-three are living, thirteen sons and ten daughters. Eight sons and six daughters have died.

There were eighty-four grand-children, forty-two grand-sons and forty-two grand-daughters; of whom seventy-five are living, thirty-seven grand-sons and thirty-eight grand-daughters. Five grand-sons and four grand-daughters have died.

There were thirty-one great-grand-children, eighteen great-grand-sons and thirteen great-grand-daughters; of whom twenty-nine are living, eighteen great-grand-sons and eleven great-grand-daughters. Two great-grand-daughters have died.

Total direct descendants, one-hundred and fifty-two, eighty-one sons and seventy-one daughters; of whom one-hundred and twenty-seven are living, sixty-eight sons and fifty-nine daughters. Thirteen sons and twelve daughters have died.

There were seven wives, only two of whom are living.

There were twenty sons-in-law, of whom eighteen are living, and eighteen daughters-in-law, of whom fourteen are living.

This gives a total family membership, including himself, of one hundred and ninety-eight; of whom one-hundred and sixty-one are living and thirty-seven have died.

Down to the time of his death March 24, 1891, there were sixty-four children and grand-children, of whom fifteen had died. Since that date eighty-eight grand-children and great-grand-children were born of whom ten have died. The increase has therefore been about one hundred and thirty-six per cent.

OCCUPATIONS

Farmer in New York, Ohio and Illinois. Owned farms and orchards at Pleasant Grove and in Salt Lake County, Utah. Taught school in Ohio and Illinois. Real estate business Illinois. In Utah owned sheep, lumber mills; manufactured brooms and cut nails; engaged in coal, iron and silver mining; established first gas works in Salt Lake City and was associated with many co-operative institutions for manufacture and commerce.

PUBLIC OFFICE

He was in the public service from his twentieth year. Constable, justice of the peace, alderman, Nauvoo, Illinois. Chief aid to President Young in migration of Saints to Utah, 1848. Superintendent of public works 1848-64. During this period he had the general supervision of the building of the Council House, on site of present Deseret News Building; the old News Building and Tithing Office; the Social Hall; old Tabernacle and Endowment House; the Temple; the Salt Lake Theatre, for which he furnished the nails, and offered the dedicatory prayer. Church storehouses and barns and many other buildings were constructed under his general direction and care. Member of Legislature, State of Deseret, and Attorney-general. Member of Legislative Council, Utah Territory, during many sessions and of four Constitutional Conventions. Mayor Salt Lake City, 1866-76. Member City Council other years. Chancellor University of Deseret 1866-78. Major-general and Lieutenant-general Nauvoo Legion, 1850-87. Commanding Militia Indian Wars, 1850-65-67 and the Echo Canyon War, 1857. President European mission 1864-5 and 1884-7. Traveled extensively on preaching tours in Utah, Arizona and Idaho. Second Counselor to Pres. Brigham Young, 1857-77. Counselor to the Twelve Apostles, 1877-91. Presided Endowment House 1868-77. Dedicated the St. George Temple, 1877 and was President of the Manti Temple, 1888 until his death 1891.

PERSONALITY

He was a large framed man, just under six feet, weighed about 210 pounds, had fair complexion, soft white skin, auburn hair, blue eyes, large mouth and nose, long arms, a large hand whose friendly grasp was like an embrace. Voice was not good for public speaking nor his manner eloquent, but his language was correct and the matter of his discourse was fervently religious and loyally patriotic, abounding in truth and common sense. He was pure in heart, merciful, generous, affectionate, patient, courageous, faithful and true. Beloved by his family, who revere his memory and call his name blessed forever and ever. Amen.

DANIEL HANMER WELLS

Born October 27th, 1814, Trenton, New York

Died March 24th, 1891, Salt Lake City, Utah

"My children should be very grateful to me for providing them with such good mothers."

Daniel H. Wells.

OUR MOTHERS

ELIZA REBECCA ROBISON WELLS

Born June 4, 1820, Cincinatti, Ohio

Died August 12, 1895, Alma, Michigan

LOUISA FREE WELLS

Born August 9th, 1824, St. Clair Co., Illinois

Died June 18th, 1886, Salt Lake City, Utah

MARTHA G. HARRIS WELLS

Born March 27th, 1832, Nashville, Tenn.

Died May 12th, 1908, Salt Lake City, Utah

LYDIA ANN ALLEY WELLS

Born January 1st, 1828, Lynn, Massachusetts

Died August 6th, 1909, Salt Lake City, Utah

SUSAN H. ALLEY WELLS

Born May 3rd, 1830, Lynn, Massachusetts

HANNAH C. FREE WELLS

Born June 9th, 1829, St. Clair Co., Illinois

Died March 6th, 1913, Salt Lake City, Utah

EMMELINE B. WOODWARD WELLS

Born February 29th, 1828, Petersham, Massachusetts

DAUGHTERS OF THE FAMILY

Frances Louisa
Emeline Young
Eliza Free
Clara Ellen
Martha Deseret
Emily Harris
Edna Margaret
Catherine Chapin
Mary Minerva
Susan Annette
Abbie Corilla
Emmel ne
Elizabeth Ann
Louisa Martha

SONS OF THE FAMILY

Albert Emory

Daniel Hanmer
Rulon Seymour
Melvin Dickenson
Heber Manning
Joseph Smith
Briant Harris
Louis Robison
Stephen Franklin
Charles Henry
Junius Free
Gershom B. F.
Victor Pennington

DANIEL H. WELLS

His Last Portrait

Taken at Manti, Utah, 1890

The Wells Family Genealogy.

By Junius F. Wells.

The family of Daniel Hanmer Wells, in this year of our Lord 1914, are celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of his birth. Upon the first of January a New Year's card bearing a portrait and the following inscription was issued: "1814 October twenty-seventh 1914 Greeting—From the Wells Family to all its members." About two hundred and fifty of these were sent out to members of the family, near relatives and a few friends. Following upon this, measures were taken to further commemorate this notable anniversary. These culminated on the twenty-seventh of October in the family reunion. It has been the annual custom since 1874, now forty years, for the family to assemble in honor of their founder's birthday. I think perhaps we were the pioneers in this practice, which is becoming more and more general among the patriarchal families of the Latter-day Saints.

It is the desire of the family and has long been the hope and ambition of the writer—when the time and favorable conditions shall come, to prepare and have published a reasonably complete biography of Daniel H. Wells, whose life encompassed a period and events of the highest historical importance, and was itself crowded with incidents of great significance and intense dramatic interest. That time and the conditions have yet to come. For the present we shall be content in gratefully accepting the courtesy of the Editor and publishers of the Utah Genealogical and Historical Magazine for space, for such historical sketches and genealogical records as are appropriate to its columns. That his Life should be so dealt with appears to have been foreseen, for in filling out a printed form of biographical information, in 1874, for use in the "History of the Welles Family," by Albert Welles, of

New York, he barely mentioned incidents prior to his thirty-second birthday and added the following in his own handwriting:

"Daniel Hanmer Wells.

Occupation: farming and lumbering.

Mayor Salt Lake City.

Place of birth: Trenton, Oneida County, New York.

Date of birth: October 27, 1814.

Place of residence 1874: Salt Lake City, Utah.

Place of marriage: Commerce, afterwards Nauvoo, Hancock County, Illinois.

Date of marriage: March 12, 1837.

Maiden name of wife: Eliza Rebecca Robison.

Her father's name: Charles Robison.

Of what place: Commerce, afterwards Nauvoo, Hancock County, Illinois.

"Daniel H. Wells was baptized for the remission of sins and joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, called "Mormons," August 9, 1846. He was ordained to the Priesthood and received his patriarchal blessing under the hands of the patriarch, Father John Smith, in the Camp of Israel, on the south side of the Missouri river, near where Omaha now stands, September 27, 1846.

"Daniel H. Wells removed to the mountains, since Utah Territory, in 1848, his family entirely refusing to accompany him. Now, having left all for the Gospel's sake, and become lost in a manner to the world, his history from thenceforth and his acts and subsequent career are only found in the archives of the Church and Kingdom of God, where they will be kept in honorable remembrance and where perchance some future historian may glean interesting and useful material for further historical and biographical sketches."

With singular directness he thus puts his finger upon the turning point of his life. He indicates the time and circumstance of his being "born again," when he began the new life in which he attained a name and fame and honorable distinction that shall last forever, growing brighter with the ages, as the Cause to which he then dedicated himself proceeds in its unfolding and development; until It shall be fully empowered and recognized as the kingdom of God on earth, come again to save and bless forever all the children of men.

Nevertheless Daniel H. Wells had, prior to this time, 1846, performed with patient industry the full part of an energetic youth and early manhood. He was among the foremost of the pioneers and early settlers of the West, when the Mississippi River was regarded as the western boundary of his country's permanent settlement and civilization, and Illinois was the westernmost northern state, Iowa and Wisconsin being territories. He had already acquired considerable property in land that had scarcely more than

been run over, by the restless, adventurous prospectors and land-grabbers that have always been the vanguard in crowding the aboriginals into the western wilderness and laying down the new frontier. He had helped in establishing and rectifying local boundaries in Hancock County, in laying out the town of Commerce and neighboring settlements, in securing civil government and schools. He had won the confidence and good will of his neighbors, and been elected to positions of responsibility and trust by them. He was chosen constable before he became of age, in 1835, and afterwards justice of the peace for successive terms, thus acquiring the title "Squire." He made this so honorable that it clung to him throughout his life, though he afterward held many offices of higher distinction.

He was the only son of Daniel Wells, by the second marriage of his father, to Catherine Chapin (daughter of David Chapin, a soldier of the Revolution), who was the mother of his only own and younger sister named for her. By his father's first marriage, to Honor Francis, there were five elder sisters. Their mother died in 1812. His father died in 1826, when Daniel H. was twelve years of age.

Daniel Wells was a pioneer of western New York. Born at Wethersfield, Connecticut, in 1773, being of the sixth generation in the long line of descendants from the first American progenitor, Governor Thomas Welles, who was the fourth governor of that colony, to which he came from England in 1636.

As early as the year 1798, Daniel Wells made the first break away from "the land of steady habits" and his ancestral home, going as far as Marietta, Ohio, which was then "way out West," in search of broader lands and opportunity to make a home for himself and the young woman he was then courting. We have a love letter written in that year and sent back to her, where she was waiting for him in Wethersfield. In this he speaks bravely of his aspirations to fortune in the wild Indian country and to happiness in her loving companionship. He, however, was not over well pleased with the location, and upon returning to the eastward decided to join the small company of friends and neighbors, who made purchase of land in the Holland patent, located in the Oneida country, on the Black River, twelve miles north of Utica, N. Y. When Daniel Wells first passed through Utica, there were but two log houses there. These Connecticut farmers laid out their lands in the adjoining towns of Trenton and Holland Patent and named the highway passing through them Wethersfield street. The Wells farm was divided by this street, just over the line in Trenton town. Upon the upper side of the street, on high woodland overlooking as fair a landscape as the human eye ever gazed upon, he built his house and made his home. Here he lived and labored and raised his families. He never left it, except for a short period at the call of his country to serve as a soldier in the war of 1812. Here he

died suddenly, in 1826, and his body was laid beside that of his first wife, in the village cemetery at Holland Patent.

Upon his father's death, Daniel H. Wells at once became the man of the family and head of the house. He had been the pet and darling of his elder sisters, who threw about him an atmosphere of modest culture and refinement. They assisted him in his schooling and combed and curled his great shock of brilliant red hair. But he was the chore boy, the farmer lad who pastured the cows and milked them too. He always worked. As he grew he developed rapidly, attaining a man's stature at seventeen—a man of large bone, long, stout arms and legs, conscious of his strength and proud of it—defender of his red head against the whole school. As harvest hand he swung his scythe as deep and clean as the best of them, keeping up with the men, though getting only a boy's wage for it—fifty cents a day—because he was under eighteen.

He rebelled at such injustice, and as his elder half sisters, now grown to charming womanhood, were being wooed and won, all married or engaged to be except one—he resolved not to wait until he became of age to share their patrimony, but to discount his portion of it, and follow the example of his father and go out west, pioneering on his own account.

Thus in his nineteenth year, taking his mother and younger sister, he set out, to buy land in Ohio, not far from Cleveland. But when he got there he found the land dear in price and not especially good. He spent one winter, taught school and moved on in the following spring to the Illinois country, locating at Commerce. This was in the spring of 1835.

In 1837, he married the daughter of Charles Robison—who owned the adjoining farm and at about the same time his widowed mother accepted this neighbor's attentions and was happily married to him. The families thrived apace and "Squire Wells" quickly became one of the most prominent men of the place.

Then came the "Mormons" in 1838-39, being driven from Missouri under the mobocratic exterminating order of Governor Boggs. The better class of people of Illinois living along the eastern banks of the Mississippi, sympathized with these persecuted people forced upon them by their relentless enemies during that winter and the following spring. None gave them more hospitable treatment than the substantial citizens of Commerce and among these Daniel H. Wells was in the lead. He assisted the newcomers in finding temporary homes and in making permanent locations. He subdivided eighty acres of his farm on the bench or highland above the river bottom on which Commerce was located and sold building lots to the new settlers at low prices and on easy terms. The Nauvoo temple was built on one of these lots.

Commerce was soon crowded with people. It was renamed Nauvoo—the beautiful—by Joseph Smith the prophet, who, released from the Missouri jail, came to lead and direct his people

in laying it out and establishing institutions and industries, upon which it rapidly attained a name and fame that was world-wide.

In this work, more especially in that part pertaining to the organization and maintenance of civil government, Squire Wells was called upon to assist and was the conspicuous non-"Mormon" honored with the confidence and trust of the "Mormon" leaders and people. He was chosen to be one of the first aldermen of the city under its new and remarkable charter and served as such until the end. He became intimately acquainted with Joseph Smith—and was attracted to the man and listened to his teachings for the reason that he discovered in him a spirit and power that could not be accounted for, except by the inspiration of God. He often said: "Joseph Smith had an understanding of civil government and the rights of men under the constitution of our country that he never derived from reading books. He went all around the best lawyers that confronted him. He had an influence and exerted a power over his followers and even with his enemies that could not be accounted for by his natural endowments or personal attainments. He taught correct principles that were broad as humanity and high as heaven, and I became convinced, that he was an inspired man, sent with a message of salvation to his fellowmen from the Almighty." Thus believing, Daniel H. Wells accepted the Gospel of Jesus Christ, as he learned it from Joseph the prophet, and was baptized in the Mississippi River, by Elder A. W. Babbitt on Sunday, August 9, 1846.

He forever after bore a constant and faithful testimony to the truth of the doctrines he had espoused. His favorite expression, which has become an adage among those who remember him, was this: "No matter what your trials and troubles may be or what ever the world may think or say or do about it, don't ever forget this: 'Mormonism' is true just the same."

The principles that particularly appealed to him and that finally wrought his conversion were the Divine authority of the living Priesthood; the eternity and unchangeableness of fundamental principles, including that of celestial marriage with its assurance of endless increase; the baptism for the dead, by which salvation is extended to all those who have died without an opportunity of receiving it while in the flesh. When he had thoroughly learned these great truths he declared: "Eternity reaches as far back as it does forward and there is not one of the children of men that ever have lived or that now live or that ever shall live but may become partakers of salvation through obedience to these laws, which God designed in the beginning for the salvation and exaltation of His children."

He always told his family upon the annual birthday reunions, that it was for the above reasons that he had accepted "Mormonism" and cast his lot with this people, hated and despised as they were by the world. It was for this purpose that he married his wives and had children, that they with him might lay an indestruc-

tible foundation for eternal increase in the kingdom of God; and while working out their own salvation labor in sacred places for the redemption of their dead. He enjoined this duty upon his children and had them commence the work in the old endowment house and in all the temples, officiating therein for several thousand names during his lifetime. His children and grand-children have to some extent observed this injunction and officiated in October, the birthday month of this centennial year ,for upwards of two thousand additional names.

As this initial sketch is intended to record the genealogy rather than the history of Daniel H. Wells himself, we shall finish it with such an account as we have of the origin of the family.

The history is authentic from the first American progenitor, attested by the public records of Connecticut, and that he should have been well born and probably connected with as distinguished a lineage as the name could claim in England and back to the remotest period in which it is known, is no unfair presumption. We shall therefore quote the account given by the author above mentioned of the only exclusively Family History that has been published; merely observing that it is not established by any known records who Governor Thomas Wells' father was, or whether he was connected with the Lincolnshire or Essex or Northumberland lines. In these lines there were many notable names. Among them crusaders to the Holy Land, Barons, Bishops, Archdeacons, Sir Knights and Lord Chancellors of England. One of the latter, Hugo de Welles, was Bishop of Lincoln (his body is buried in Lincoln Cathedral.) He was Lord Chancellor in the time of King John, and according to authorities quoted by Albert Welles was chief among those who obtained the Magna Charta at Runnymede, A. D. 1215. It being stated that this instrument was prepared by his own hand in 1207 and his seal and that of his brother Jocelyn Bishop of Bath and Wells being affixed to it among the sureties of the King.

"ORIGIN OF THE DE WELLES FAMILY.

"The origin of the De Welles family of Lincolnshire, Barons by summons to Parliament, was in the Vaux (or Baux, or Bayeux, or de Vallibus) family of France, one of the most illustrious families known in history. The derivation is traced to the year 794, from which period they held the highest rank, personally and by royal intermarriages. It was founded in England after the Conquest, by Harold de Vaux, (a near connection of William the Conqueror), and his three sons, Barons Hubert, Ranulph, and Robert, who were all surnamed de Vallibus. The descent is through the younger son, Robert, whose grandson, William, had four sons—Robert de Dalston, Baron; Adam and William de Welles, of Lincolnshire, 1194; and Oliver de Vallibus, Prior of Pentney Abbey. Adam de Welles died s. p. and his brother William thus became

founder of that long line of noblemen of Lincolnshire, whose history is given in full by Dugdale in his standard work on the 'Baronage of England.'

"THE WELLES FAMILY IN AMERICA.

"Among the different branches of the Welles family in this country are traditions of origin, varied, but not contradictory, nor inconsistent with each other. Thus the descendants of George (afterwards of Southampton, L. I.), Richard (afterwards of Salisbury, Mass.), and William (afterwards of Southold, L. I.), known as among the first settlers of Lynn, Mass., 1638, claim that there were three brothers came over together. Also those from Isaac (of Barnstable, Mass.), Edward (of Boston), and Thomas (of Ipswich), have the same tradition; also those of Hugh (of Hartford), contemporary 1636 to 1650 with Gov. Thomas, and John (his son); whilst the descendants of Joseph, of Boston (1636), thence into Rhode Island about 1640, at Wickford, state that he was the first emigrant of the family, fled about 1629 from London to avoid religious persecution and to save his life, and was soon followed by his seven sons or brothers, who may reasonably be supposed to be all named above; viz., Isaac, Edward, Thomas, Richard, George, William, and Hugh, although there is no evidence of their consanguinity.

"Governor Thomas Welles, of Connecticut, a lineal descendant of the Essex branch of the Welles family in England, was born in Essex County, England, in the year 1598.

"He appears for the first time of record in Hartford in 1637, in which year he was chosen one of the Magistrates of the Colony. This office he held every successive year from this date till his decease in 1659-60, a period of twenty-two years. In 1639 he was chosen the first Treasurer of the Colony under the new Constitution, and this office he held at various times till the year 1651, at which time being in the place of Magistrate, and finding the execution of the duties of both burdensome, he himself moved the General Court 'to be eased of the Treasurer's place,' and the Court granted his motion, and 'did think of somebody else to be Treasurer in his room.' In 1641 he was chosen Secretary of the Colony, and this office he held at various times. In 1649 he was one of the Commissioners of the United Colonies. In 1654, Governor Hopkins, being in England, and Deputy-Governor Haynes being dead, he was elected by the whole body of freemen, convened at Hartford, Moderator of the General Court. This year he was also appointed one of the Commissioners of the United Colonies, but his duties at home prevented him from serving. This year also he was chosen Deputy-Governor, in 1655 Governor, and in 1656 and 1657 Deputy-Governor; in 1658, again, Governor; and in 1659, again, Deputy-Governor.

"Thus, then, stretching over a period of twenty-three years,

from his first appearance in the Colony to his decease, we find Thomas Welles perpetually enjoying the confidence of his fellow-citizens, and occupying the highest post in the Colony.

As to the spelling of the name, it appears in all the records back to the remotest times as frequently without as with the second "e." That any distinction or benefit attaches to one form, over the other is simple nonsense. We employ the styles found in the quotations respectively.

THE FAMILY LINEAGE.

1. Gov. Thomas Wells, the American ancestor of the family was born in England, 1598, and died in Wethersfield, Conn., 14 January, 1659-60. He married in England (1) a Miss Hunt and (2) about 1646, Elizabeth Deming, widow of Nathaniel Foote. She died 28 July, 1683. Gov. Thomas Wells was the ancestor of three distinct lines of the Wells family: by his eldest son, John, the Stratford-Wethersfield family; by his second son, Thomas, the Hartford family; by the third son, Samuel, the Glastonbury family.

Children, all born in Wethersfield by the first marriage:

2. Anne, b. about 1619. m. (1) 14 Apr., 1646, Thomas Thompson of Far. m. (2). Anthony Hawkins.
×3. John, b. about 1621.
4. Robert, b. 1624.
5. Thomas, b. 1627. m. Hannah Tuttle, widow of John Pantry. He d. 1668.
6. Samuel, b. about 1630. m. (1) Elizabeth Hollister. m. (2) Hannah Lamberton. He was drowned 15 July, 1675.
7. Sarah, b. 1631-2. m. Feb., 1653, Captain John Chester of Wethersfield. She d. 11 Dec., 1698.
8. Mary, b. 1634.
9. Joseph, b. 1637.

3. John[2] Wells, (*Gov. Thomas*[1]) b. about 1621; removed to Stratford; m. Elizabeth Bourne; died at Stratford 7 Aug., 1659.

Children:

10. John, b. 1648; m. Mary Hollister of Wethersfield.
11. "Deacon" Thomas, b. 1651; resided in Stratford; inherited lands from his grandfather; m. Elizabeth——; d. 7 Jan., 1720, without children.
×12. Robert, twin to Thomas.
13. Temperance, b. 1654; m. 21 Nov., 1681, Jona Pitman of Stratford.
14. Samuel (Ser'gt), b. 1656, m. (1) Abigail——; (2) —— (3) Abigail——; d. 1729.
15. Sarah, b. 28 Sept., 1659; m. (1) Benjamin Beach; m. (2) Ambrose Thompson.

12. Captain Robert[3] Wells (John,[2] Thomas[1]) b. 1651; m. (1) 9 June 1675, Elizabeth Goodrich, daughter of "Ensign" William and Sarah Marvin Goodrich; she died 17 Feb. 1697-8. He m. (2) in Boston 13 Oct. 1698, Mary Stoddard. He died in Wethersfield 22 June 1714.

Children, all by the first wife:

16. Thomas, b. 1676; m. 28 Sept., 1699, Hannah Warner who died 18 Sept., 1738; m. (2) Sarah, widow of Captain Joshua Robbins. He died 21 Sept., 1741.
17. John, b. 16 June, 1678; d. unmarried.
×18. Mr. Joseph, b. Sept., 1680.
19. Prudence, b.——; m. 20 Oct., 1700 Rev. Anthony Stoddard of Woodbury, Conn.; she died May, 1714.
20 "Captain" Robert, b. 1684; m. Dec. 1706, Sarah Wolcott of Wethersfield. (Record has been found of two other "Captains." Robert Wells, the first baptized 29 Dec., 1700, the second baptized Aug., 1702).
21. "Captain" Gideon, b. 1686; m. 30 Nov., 1716, Hannah Chester of Wethersfield; he died 28 March, 1740. (Both Captain Wells and his wife were great grand children of Gov. Wells).

18. Mr. Joseph[4] Wells, (*Captain Robert,*[3] *John,*[2] *Gov. Thomas*[1]) b. 1680; settled at Wethersfield; m. 6 Jan. 1708-9, Hannah Robbins, daughter of Captain Joshua Robbins, who was the son of John Robbins and Mary Wells. He died 1744.

Children:

22. John, b. 13 Nov., 1710.
23. Prudence, b. 12 Feb., 1712-3.
24. Esther, bap. 20 May, 1716.
25. Hannah, b. 5 Aug., 1718.
26. Joseph, b. 17 Sept., 1720; m. March, 1744, Mary Robbins. He died 1 April, 1788.
27. Eunice, b. 25 March, 1723.
×28. Joshua, b. Sept., 1726.
29. Christopher, bap. 14 Dec., 1729; died young.

28. Joshua[5] Wells (*Joseph,*[4] *Captain Robert,*[3] *John,*[2] *Gov. Thomas*[1]) b. 1726 m. 1757. Experience Dickenson, daughter of Elihu Dickenson [probably son of Thomas, son of Nathaniel] and Lucy Deming, daughter of Thomas son of Jona, son of John. She died 27 June 1773.

Children:

30. Experience, b. 14 Aug., 1758; m. Noah Stanley.
31. Hannah, b. 26 Oct., 1759; m. Simeon Goodrich.
32. Joshua, b. 28 March, 1761; d. 4 March, 1804. His wife died 6 Dec., 1783.
33. Levi, b. 7 Oct., 1762; m. Sarah Deming.

43. Gideon, b. 15 July, 1764; m. 28 Feb., 1790, Emily Hart. He d. 19 March, 1810.
35. Prudence, b. 30 Oct., 1766; m. Justus Griswold.
36. Pamela, b. 30 Aug. 1768; m. James Francis.
37. Abigail, b. 20 Jan., 1771; m. James Hanmer.
×38. Daniel, b. 15 June, 1773.

38. Daniel[6] Wells *(Joshua[5], Joseph[4], Captain Robert[3], John[2], Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 15 June, 1773; d. 22 Sept., 1826. He m. (1) Honor Francis, daughter of Timothy Francis and Elizabeth Hanmer. She was b. 19 Sept., 1774, and d. 8 Sept., 1826. He m. (2) Catherine Chapin, daughter of David Chapin and Ruth Seymour, who was b. 15 March, 1778, and d. 9 Nov., 1848.

Children of Honor Francis:

39. Eliza, b. 24 Sept., 1800; d. 9 Aug., 1841; m. Dr. J. S. Ross.
40. Pamela, b. 1 May, 1803; d. 12 June, 1857; unmarried.
41. Abigail, b. 15 March, 1805; d. June, 1895; m. Stephen H. Rockwell.
42. Lucy Ann, b. 17 Aug., 1809; d. 31 Aug., 1855; m. Joseph Coombs.
43. Honor Frances, b. 28 Aug., 1812; d. 16 June, 1844; m. D' Ortigue Raphel.

Children of Catherine Chapin:

×44. Daniel Hanmer, b. 27 Oct., 1814.
45. Catherine Chapin, b. 23 Feb., 1818; m. James Woods.

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44. Daniel Hanmer[7] Wells, *(Daniel[6], Joshua[5], Joseph[4], Cap. Robert[3], John[2], Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 27 Oct., 1814, at Trenton, Oneida Co., N. Y.; d. 24 March, 1891, at Salt Lake City, Utah. He m. (1) Eliza Rebecca Robison, daughter of Charles Robison; m. (2) Louisa Free, b. 9 Aug., 1824, in St. Clair Co., Ill., d. 18 June, 1886, daughter of Absalom P. Free and Betsy Strait; m. (3) Martha Givens Harris, b. 27 March, 1832, in Nashville, Tenn., d. 12 May, 1908, daughter of McGee Harris and Mary A. Givens; m. (4) Lydia Ann Alley, b. 1 Jan., 1828, at Lynn, Mass., d. 6 Aug., 1909, daughter of George Alley and Mary Simons; m. (5) Susan Hannah Alley, b. 3 May, 1830, at Lynn, Mass., daughter of George Alley and Mary Simons; m. (6) Hannah Corilla Free, b. 9 June, 1829, in St. Clair Co., Ill., d. 6 March, 1913, daughter of Absalom P. Free and Betsy Strait; m. (7) Emmeline B. Woodward, b. 29 Feb., 1828, in Petersham, Mass., daughter of David Woodward and Deiadama Hare.

All the children and grand-children of Daniel H. Wells named in this record, where not otherwise stated, were born in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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Child of Eliza Rebecca Robison:

46. Albert Emery, b. 28 March, 1838, at Nauvoo, Illinois.

Children of Louisa Free:

×47. Daniel Hanmer, b. 24 Nov., 1850.
×48. Francis Louisa, b. 13 March, 1852.
×49. Rulon Seymour, b. 7 July, 1854.
50. Emeline Young, b. 13 April, 1857.
51. Eliza Free, b. 3 Oct., 1859.
×52. Clara Ellen, b. 23 Oct., 1862.
×53. Melvin Dickenson, b. 30 July, 1867.
54. John Brigham, b. 26 Feb., 1846; d. 9 June, 1856; (adopted son by her previous marraige).

Children of Martha Givens Harris:

×55. Martha Deseret, b. 18 April, 1853.
×56. Emily Harris, b. 22 April, 1857.
×57. Heber Manning, b. 11 Aug., 1859.
×58. Joseph Smith, b. 25 May, 1862.
59. Herman Chapin, b. 13 Feb., 1867; d. 8 Sept., 1868.
×60. Edna Margaret, b. 5 July, 1869.
×61. Briant Harris, b. 5 Dec., 1871.

Children of Lydia Ann Alley:

62. Catherine, b. 28 March, 1853.
×63. Mary Minerva, b. 10 Dec., 1854.
64. Lucy Ann, b. 4 Dec., 1858; d. 23 Oct., 1859.
×65. Louis Robison, b. 21 Dec., 1862.
66. Wilford Woodruff, b. 21 June, 1868; d. 10 Oct., 1868.
67. Arthur Deming, b. 1 Sept., 1871; d. 1 Dec., 1871.

Children of Susan Hannah Alley:

×68. Susan Annette, b. 28 Nov., 1857.
69. George Alley, b. 18 Dec., 1859; d. 24 July, 1872.
70. Stephen Franklin, b. 25 June, 1867.
×71. Charles Henry, b. 28 Aug., 1870.

Children of Hannah Corilla Free:

×72. Abbie Corilla, b. 20 Sept., 1852.
×73. Junius Free, b. 1 June, 1854.
74. Luna Pamela, b. 24 Aug., 1856; d. 4 Nov., 1857.
75. Brigham, b. 14 April, 1859; d. 26 Oct., 1863.
76. Preston Strait, b. 11 May, 1861; d. 4 June, 1861.
77. Ephraim Willard, b. 17 Sept., 1862; d. 18 Oct., 1863.
×78. Gershom B. F., b. 19 Nov., 1864.
79. Victor Pennington, b. 18 May, 1868.

Children of Emmeline B. Woodward:

80. Emmeline, b. 10 Sept., 1853; d. 8 April, 1878.
×81. Elizabeth Ann, b. 7 Dec., 1859.
82. Louisa Martha, b. 27 Aug., 1863; d. 16 March, 1888.

47. Daniel Hanmer[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7], Daniel[6], Joshua[5], Joseph[4], Cap. Robert[3], John[2], Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 24 Nov., 1850; m. Emma Geneva Price, b. 1857, daughter William Price and Martha Van Cott.

Child:

83. Daniel Hanmer, b. 2 Oct., 1875; d. 12 March, 1903.

48. Francis Louisa[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 13 March, 1852; m. George Naylor.

Child:

84. Ruby Louisa, b. 6 Jan., 1876. She m. Frederick Gibbon Morse, b. 24 Sept., 1867, son of William Morse and Amelia Gibbon. Children: Marga, b. 24 June, 1904; Channing, b. 15 Oct., 1905; "Becky," b. 18 July, 1909.

49. Rulon Seymour[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 7 July, 1854; m. Josephine Eliza Beatie, b. 10 Feb., 1859, daughter of Hampton S. Beatie and Marion Mumford.

Children:

85. Josephine Louisa, b. 18 Feb., 1884; m. David Douglas Moffat, son Alex. D. and —— Dewey. Children: David Douglas, b. 7 Aug., 1907; Alexander Donaldson, b. 2 Aug., 1908; Daniel Wells, b. 27 Oct., 1910.
86. Rulon Seymour, b. 5 Oct., 1885.
87. Sidney Beatie, b. 3 Oct., 1887.
88. Elizabeth, b. 14 Sept., 1890.
89. Lillian, b. 2 Oct., 1894.
90. Helen, b. 16 June, 1896.
91. Dorothy Marion, b. 25 Nov., 1899.

52. Clara Ellen[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 23 Oct., 1862; m. William S. Hedges, b. 9 May, 1860; d. 25 Feb., 1914; son of George S. Hedges and Rachel Lovell.

Children:

92. Sandford Wells, b. 21 Oct., 1883; m. Sarah Coulam, b. 27 Oct., 1884, daughter of George Coulam and Elizabeth Horrocks. Children: William Sandford, b. 9 May, 1908; Paul George, b. 19 Nov., 1909.
93. Emory Melvin, b. 6 June, 1888; m. Emma Haueter, b. 22 April, 1888, daughter of Frederick Haueter, and Anna Stohl.
94. Clara Wells, b. 30 July, 1905.

53. Melvin Dickenson[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 30 July, 1867; m. Anne Elizabeth Young, b. 29 Oct., 1869, daughter of Seymour B. Young and Elizabeth Riter.

Children:

95. Louisa Elizabeth, b. 22 Feb., 1894.
96. Miriam Young, b. 15 March, 1896.
97. Melvin Dickenson, b. 2 June, 1898.
98. Joseph Bicknell, b. 15 Oct., 1900.
99. Rebecca, b. 23 March, 1903.
100. Calvin Young, b. 5 April, 1904.
101. Phyllis, b. 27 April, 1906.
102. George Young, b. 3 Jan., 1908.
103. Janice Young, b. 13 Aug., 1909.
104. Edmond Young, b. 26 Aug., 1911.
105. Anne Seymour, b. 14 May, 1913.

55. Martha Deseret[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 18 April, 1853; d. 15 Jan., 1886; m. Charles Read, b. 28 Nov., 1846, son of John Read and Mary A. Barnham.

Child:

106. Emily, b. 31 July, 1879; m. Albert R. Hager son of Albert D. Hager and Rose F. Blood. Children: Charles Read b. 25 Sept., 1905; Albert Ralph, b. 30 Jan., 1907.

56. Emily Harris[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 22 April, 1857; d. 25 May, 1908; m. Heber J. Grant, b. 22 Nov., 1856, son of Jedediah M. Grant and Rachel Ivins.

Children:

107. Martha Deseret, b. 21 April, 1886, in Liverpool, England; m. Ashby D. Boyle b. 14 July, 1886, son of A. McLaren Boyle and Isabel Douglas. Children: Martha, b. 9 Sept., 1909; Edna, b. 17 Feb., 1913.
108. Grace, b. 21 Dec., 1889, m. Isaac Blair Evans, b. 22 May, 1885; son of Thomas B. Evans and Ruth Blair. Children: Mary Wells, b. 29 Jan., 1912; Ruth, 4 Oct., 1913.
109. Daniel Wells, b. 21 Nov., 1891; d. 10 March, 1895.
110. Emily, b. 5 June, 1896.
111. Frances Marion, b. 23 Sept., 1898.

57. Heber Manning[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 11 Aug., 1859; m. (1) Elizabeth Beatie, b. 9 Dec., 1861, d. 13 Oct., 1889, daughter of Hampton Beatie and Marion Mumford; m. (2) Theresa Clawson, b. 6 April, 1856, d. 10 July, 1897, daughter of Hiram B. Clawson and Margaret Judd; m. (3) Emily Katz, b. 8 Jan., 1877, daughter of Alma Katz and Annette Player.

Children of Elizabeth Beatie:

112. Manning Beatie, b. 6 Aug., 1884; d. 10 May, 1890.
113. Heber Daniel, b. 28 Dec., 1885.
114. Mary Beatie, b. 30 Sept., 1889; d. 9 April, 1910.

Children of Theresa Clawson:

115. Martha, b. 16 Oct., 1893.
116. Florence, b. 10 Nov., 1895.

Children of Emily Katz:

117. John Katz, b. 10 Oct., 1903.
118. Burton Katz, b. 23 March, 1905.

58. Joseph Smith[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 25 May, 1862; m. (1) Anna Sears, b. 21 Dec., 1864; d. 1 June, 1903, daughter of John Sears and Sarah Wagstaff; m. (2) Mamie Lovell, b. 6 Aug., 1884, daughter of John E. Lovell and Harriet Lyman.

Children of Anna Sears:

119. Alice Frances, b. 24 Oct., 1890; m. Elias Asahel Smith, Jr., b. 9 Sept., 1884, son of Elias A. Smith and Laura Nebeker.
120. Hermon Joseph, b. 22 Sept., 1891.
121. Byron Sears, b. 3 Sept., 1894; d. 8 Jan., 1906.
122. Richard Harris, b. 21 Oct., 1896.
123. Geneva, b. 15 Feb., 1899.

Children of Mamie Lovell:

124. Margaret, b. 10 April, 1908.
125. Josephine, b. 8 Nov., 1910.
126. Harriet, b. 15 June, 1914.

60. Edna Margaret[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 5 July, 1869; m. Thomas Watts Sloan, b. 17 April, 1868, son of Edward L. Sloan and Phoebe Watts.

Child:

127. Lawrence Wells, b. 13 June, 1896.

61. Briant Harris[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 5 Dec., 1871; m. Mary Jane Jennings, b. 10 March, 1877, daughter of Thomas Jennings and Mary Hooper.

Children:

128. Mary Jane, b. 30 March, 1898.
129. Briant Harris, b. 27 July, 1903, in Philippine Islands.
130. Thomas Jennings, b. 28 Sep., 1906.

63. Mary Minerva[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 10 Dec., 1854; m. Orson F. Whitney, b. 1 July, 1855, son of Horace K. Whitney and Helen Mar Kimball.

Children:

131. Murray Wells, b. 10 May, 1892.
132. Wendell Webb, b. 4 Nov., 1895.

65. Louis Robison[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 21 Dec., 1862; m. Inga J. Hansen, b. 26 April, 1877, daughter of O. C. Hansen and Anne Ericksen.

Children:

133. Daniel Louis, b. 21 Dec., 1902.
134. Horace Hansen, b. 6 Dec., 1904.
135. Lowell Alley, b. 10 April, 1910.

68. Susan Annette[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 28 Nov., 1857; m. Henry L. A. Culmer, b. 25 Mar., 1854, d. 10 Feb., 1914, son of George F. Culmer and Mary Kennett.

Children:

136. Catherine Chapin, b. 29 Sept., 1879; m. Frank Taft Roberts, b. 4 Dec., 1878, son of Bolivar Roberts and Emma Benson. Children: Bolivar, b. 4 Aug., 1905; Annette, b. 20 March, 1908 d. 6 July, 1911; Frank C., b. 21 Feb., 1912; Catherine, b. 18 Feb., 1914.
137. Henry Wells, b. 30 June, 1883.
138. Florence, b. 1 Oct., 1886; m. David J. Varnes, b. 5 April, 1885. Child: John, b. 29 Feb., 1912.
139. Kennett Alley, b. 31 July, 1891.

71. Charles Henry[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 28 Aug., 1870; m. Susan D. Riter, b. 29 Oct., 1872, daughter of William W. Riter and Susan Denton.

Children:

140. Edith Riter, b. 28 July, 1896.
141. Louise Maud, b. 29 Oct., 1897.
142. William Riter, b. 1 June, 1903.
143. Henry Charles, b. 2 Jan., 1908.
144. Evelyn, b. 9 March, 1910.

72. Abbie Corilla[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])* b. 20 Sept., 1852; m. Seymour B. Young, b. 3 Oct., 1837, son of Joseph Young and Jane Bicknell.

Children:

145. Hannah Louisa, b. 14 Sept., 1884, Liverpool, England; m. Alan A. Clark, b. 13 March, 1885, son of Harry P. Clark and Grace Hood.
146. Alice, b. 8 July, 1887, Denver, Colorado; d. 6 Nov., 1887.

73. Junius Free[8] Wells *(Daniel H.[7]——Gov. Thomas[1])*, b. 1 June, 1854; m. Helena Middleton Fobes, b. 11 Jan., 1859, daughter of Simeon D. Fobes and Charlotte Smith.

Children:

147. Hugo Daniel, b. 4 April, 1880; m. Helen Danielson, b. 23 Oct., 1884, daughter of John Danielson and Charlotte Cornelius. Children: Helen Lucile, b. 4 Jan., 1902, d. 30 Aug., 1902; Edward Junius, b. 18 April, 1903.
148. Abbie Hannah, b. 31 Oct., 1881.

78. Gershom B. F.[8] Wells (*Daniel H.*[7]——*Gov. Thomas*[1]), b. 19 Nov., 1864; m. (1) Ellen Leaver Sheets, b. 23 Feb., 1870, d. 17 Feb., 1899, daughter of Elijah F. Sheets and Elizabeth Leaver; m. (2) Maud Freeze, b. 24 May, 1882, daughter of James P. Freeze and Jane Granter.

Children of Ellen Leaver Sheets:

149. Marjorie, b. 26 May, 1893.
150. Robert Gershom, b. 30 May, 1895; d. 7 March, 1896.
151. Benjamin Sheets, b. 10 June, 1897.

Children of Maud Freeze:

152. David Chapin, b. 19 Nov., 1906.
153. Alan Freeze, b. 26 Sept., 1909.
154. Virginia, b. 21 Sept., 1911.

81. Elizabeth Ann[8] Wells (*Daniel H.*[7]——*Gov. Thomas*[1]), b. 7 Dec., 1859; m. John Quayle Cannon, b. 19 April, 1857, son of George Q. Cannon and Elizabeth Hoagland.

Children:

155. George Quayle, b. 4 Jan., 1881; m. Ruby Gertrude Derr, b. 20 Oct., 1883, daughter of William Derr and Eleanor Rogers. Children: George Q., b. 2 Jan., 1907; Woodward Derr, b. 4 July, 1910; Shirley, b. 22 June, 1912.
156. Louise Blanche, b. 30 July, 1884; m. Richard Denton Andrew, b. 8 July, 1883, son of Richard Andrew and Elizabeth Croxall. Children: Richard Cannon and Denton Cannon, twins, b. 31 Aug., 1908; Elizabeth, b. 6 Dec., 1910; John Quayle, b. 23 Oct., 1913.
157. Margaret, b. 3 April, 1886; m. David Henry Clayton, b. 28 Jan., 1884, son of David H. Clayton and Sarah Brown. Children: David William, b. 15 May, 1911; Ruth, b. 2 Feb., 1913.
158. Daniel Hoagland, b. 10 March, 1889.
159. Eleanor Addey, b. 24 June, 1891, Ogden, Utah; d. 29 Aug., 1892.
160. Emmeline, b. 8 Feb., 1893; m. Lyman R. Martineau, b. 21 April, 1858, son of James H. Martineau and Susan J. Sherman. Child: daughter, b. 21 Oct., 1914.
161. Cavendish Wells, b. 1 Feb., 1895.
162. Katharine, b. 15 May, 1897.
163. Abram Hoagland, b. 28 July, 1899.
164. David Woodward, b. 28 July, 1899.
165. John Quayle, b. 20 Oct., 1901.
166. Theodore Lincoln, b. 9 Nov., 1904.